# Deliver Transportation Solutions and Services of Great Value

# TANGIBLE RESULT #4

# **Deliver Transportation Solutions** and Services of Great Value



MDOT will deliver transportation solutions on time and within budget. The Department will use strategies to ensure that the transportation solution meets the needs of our customers and eliminates unnecessary costs.

#### **RESULT DRIVER:**

Jason Ridgway State Highway Administration (SHA)

#### TANGIBLE RESULT DRIVER:

Jason Ridgway State Highway Administration (SHA)

#### PERFORMANCE MEASURE DRIVER:

Terri Lins

Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA)

#### **PURPOSE OF MEASURE:**

To gauge the accuracy of capital project estimates to manage the Departments Capital Program more efficiently.

#### FREQUENCY:

Annually (In October)

#### DATA COLLECTION METHODOLOGY:

Through the Capital Program Management System (CPMS); the CTP; TSO & TBU's Procurement Offices.

#### NATIONAL BENCHMARK:

+/- 5% This mirrors the benchmark as reported by Nebraska's Dept. of Roads, Fiscal Responsibility for the Accuracy of Project Estimates. Further, while MODOT has not specified a benchmark per se, they use Nebraska's 5% as the bench for the best.

Note: this benchmark applies to capital construction projects. Thus far, & with extensive research, we have been unable to find a benchmark for IT projects.

## PERFORMANCE MEASURE 4.1

# Percent of Estimated Project Budget as Compared to Final Project Award

This Performance Measure fosters more accuracy and better budget management of the State's limited transportation funding. Accurate estimating enables MDOT to provide better services to its customers, whether it is infrastructure improvements to State roadways and bridges; increasing and retaining the commerce going in and out of the Port of Baltimore; attracting and retaining airlines and travelers at BWI Marshall; providing more alternative service options to Maryland citizens to conduct their MVA transaction remotely; or improving transit services throughout the State.

Given the diverse differences between construction and IT projects, we have separated these in to two categories with specific budget parameters:

- \$ 1M+ Construction Type Projects: SHA, MDTA MPA, MAA and MTA
- \$400K+ IT Projects: TSO and MVA

For FYs 2014, 2015 and 2016, the range in variance between estimated project budgets and final project awards was from 4.7% to 7.6%. While the range is within the +/- 5% and the estimates vs award are very good, the goal is to continue working on strategies to obtain the +/- 5% consistently.

To improve the outcomes of this measure, MDOT is engaged in the following activities:

- Team expansion with SMEs from each TBU
- Usage of estimating manual
- Creation of excel spreadsheet to ensure consistency in gathering data for PM 4.1 - PM 4.3
- Clarifying definitions with TBUs
- Modified dataset for construction contracts to \$1M (MAA, SHA, MDTA, MPA and MTA)



## **PERFORMANCE MEASURE 4.1**

Percent of Estimated Project Budget as Compared to Final Project Award

Chart 4.1.1: Varriance Percentage- SHA, MDTA 2014-2016

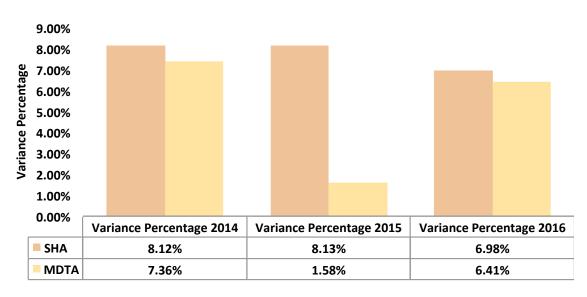
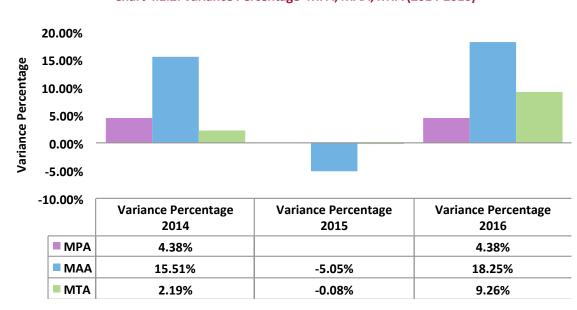


Chart 4.1.2: Variance Percentage- MPA, MAA, MTA (2014-2016)



### **PERFORMANCE MEASURE 4.1**

Percent of Estimated Project Budget as Compared to Final Project Award

Chart 4.1.3: Variance Percentage- TSO, MVA (2014-2016)

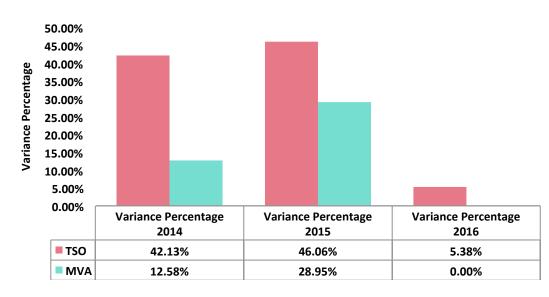
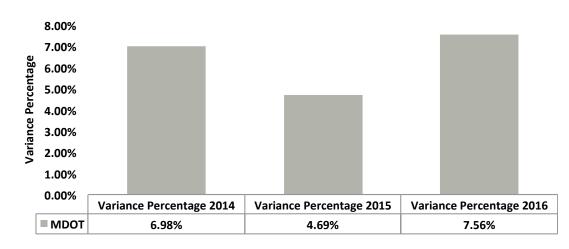


Chart 4.1.4: Variance Percentage- MDOT (2014-2016)



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#### TANGIBLE RESULT DRIVER:

Jason Ridgway State Highway Administration (SHA)

#### PERFORMANCE MEASURE DRIVER:

Brian W. Miller Maryland Port Administration (MPA)

#### **PURPOSE OF MEASURE:**

To measure the difference in contract amount from Notice to Proceed (NTP) to final contractor payout. This is done to determine the effectiveness of contract management.

#### FREQUENCY:

Annually (in October)

### DATA COLLECTION METHODOLOGY:

Collect data from MDOT TBUs for Fiscal Years 2013 to 2017. Data will reflect contracts that closed out in each respective Fiscal Year. Data will be reflected in a bar graph for each Fiscal Year.

#### NATIONAL BENCHMARK:

2 % benchmark.

## PERFORMANCE MEASURE 4.2

# Percent of Change for Finalized Contracts

It is important to assess how well MDOT manages the budgeted and awarded amount during the duration of Department contracts. This is done to ensure MDOT is getting what was paid for and not adding unnecessary or unbudgeted costs to our transportation projects. This will facilitate better contract performance and better management of contracts which will add overall value to the project and ensure worthwhile expenditures of taxpayer dollars.

TBUs will monitor contracts and justify any overages through contract changes and justifications for those changes which have been occurring.

At present all TBUs are maintaining contracts below 2%. The reason for any TBU posting overages of 2% is due to a contract that experienced unexpected contract changes due to unforeseen developments during the course of construction. The changes have been justified by the respective TBU.

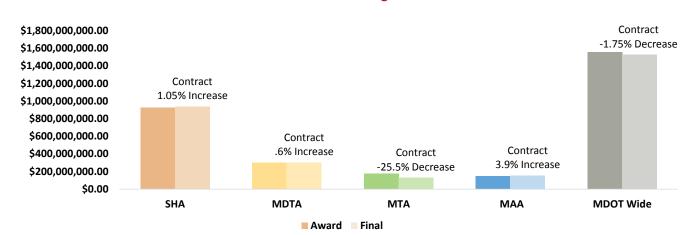
Individual TBUs may not have data from a fiscal year if no contract(s) closed during the respective fiscal year.

Should issues arise with any TBU where all contracts are showing overages well above 2%, a more refined strategy development will take place to determine the causes of these contract management issues and corresponding strategies to correct the problem(s).

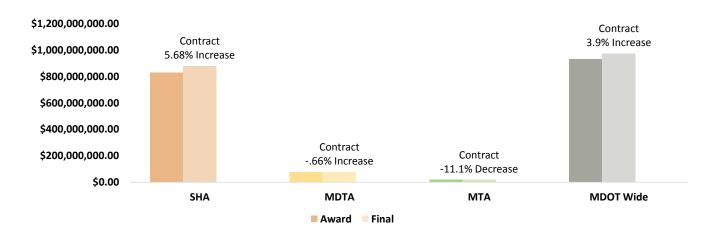
### PERFORMANCE MEASURE 4.2

Percent of Change for Finalized Contracts

#### Chart 4.2.1: FY 2013 Percent of Change for Finalized Contracts



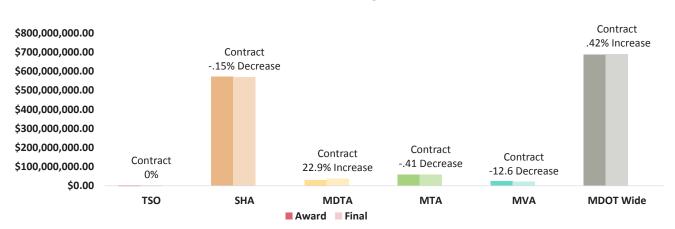
#### Chart 4.2.2: FY 2014 Percent of Change for Finalized Contracts



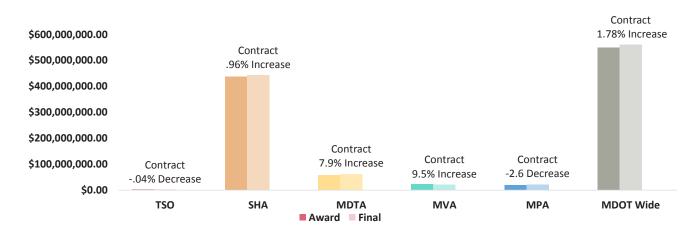
## PERFORMANCE MEASURE 4.2

Percent of Change for Finalized Contracts

#### Chart 4.2.3: FY 2015 Percent of Change for Finalized Contracts



#### Chart 4.2.4: FY 2016 Percent of Change for Finalized Contracts



#### TANGIBLE RESULT DRIVER:

Jason Ridgway State Highway Administration (SHA)

## PERFORMANCE MEASURE DRIVER:

Bill Appold The Secretary's Office (TSO)

#### PURPOSE OF MEASURE:

To determine if MDOT is efficiently managing and delivering contracts and services.

#### FREQUENCY:

Annually (in October)

#### DATA COLLECTION METHODOLOGY:

Information will be provided by the MDOT Offices of Construction, Planning and Finance.

### NATIONAL BENCHMARK: 87%

#### PERFORMANCE MEASURE 4.3

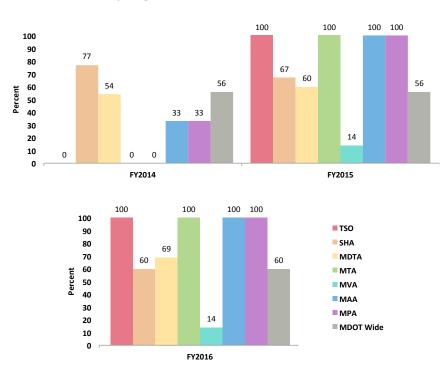
# On-time Services and Solutions: Percent of Projects Completed by Original Contract Date

When MDOT awards a contract or agrees to provide a service, it establishes a commitment date which is the date the contract or service begins providing benefits to MDOT's stakeholders.

The purpose of this performance measure is to track MDOT's accuracy in estimating if contracts and services are completed and open to service by the commitment date specified in the contract. The performance measure will also determine if there are common factors that make contracts go over their budgeted time and whether these factors can be mitigated.

Overall MDOT increased the percentage of contracts completed in a timely basis from 56% in FY 14 and FY 15 to an FY 16 total of 60%. This is due to an increase in timely completions from MDTA and also a large increase in total contracts closed by SHA increasing the weight of their overall percentage.

Chart 4.3.1: On Time Services and Solutions: Percent of Projects Completed by Original Contract Date FY2014-FY2016



#### TANGIBLE RESULT DRIVER:

Jason Ridgway State Highway Administration (SHA)

#### PERFORMANCE MEASURE DRIVER:

Pat Keller Maryland Transit Administration (MTA)

#### Jim Harkness **Maryland Transportation Authority**

Wayne Schuster

Maryland Aviation Administration

#### PURPOSE OF MEASURE:

To track the average cost of common transportation services and solutions, in order to make decisions as to where to reduce costs, as appropriate.

### FREQUENCY:

Annually (in January and July)

#### DATA COLLECTION METHODOLOGY:

Through the CPMS; The CTP and MDOT Capital Budget, Finance and Procurement Offices.

NATIONAL BENCHMARK: N/A

#### PERFORMANCE MEASURE 4.4

# Average Cost of Common Transportation Solutions and Services

It is MDOT's responsibility to provide transportation solutions and services to the public that are of great value.

The purpose of these measures is to track, access, and analyze data that will help reveal solutions for reducing the cost of transportation services. Tracking data that is grouped by shared services across business units will allow comparison across TBUs, and also insight into ways to reduce the cost of services to the public.

Performance measure 4.4 has 10 separate measurements. These measurements include minor and major road resurfacing cost, interstate road resurfacing cost, bridge replacement cost and major bridge redecking cost. Other measurements include operating cost per passenger trip, operating cost per revenue vehicle mile, passenger trips per revenue vehicle mile, farebox recovery and cost per transaction.

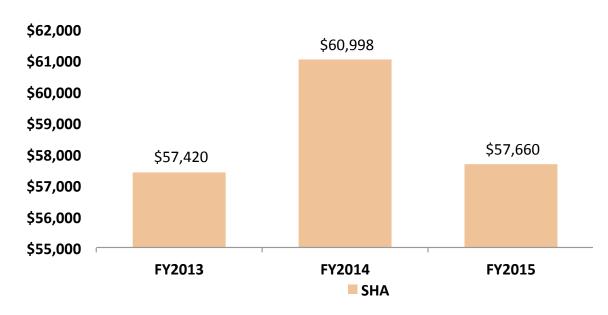
Tracking of these measures is based upon actual costs associated with contracts issued for various road and bridge projects. Because data for these projects is tracked annually, in any given year there may not be an award for this type of project as can be seen from some of the MDTA data. Regardless, the data will provide customers with insights into how Maryland transportation projects compare to national averages.

Benchmarks are sought to gauge how Maryland solutions and services compare with national averages as well as who is considered the best in this category. Based on year-to-year data comparisons, the goal is to identify ways to reduce costs to the citizens of Maryland.

### PERFORMANCE MEASURE 4.4A

Minor Road Resurfacing Cost

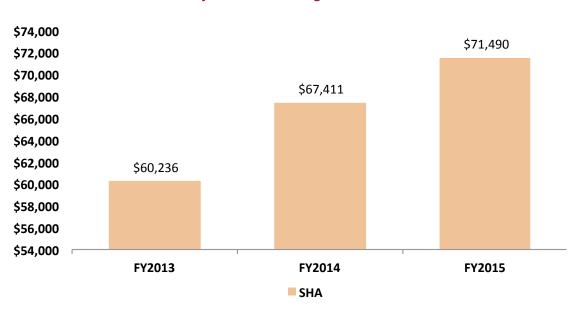
4.4A.1: Minor Road Resurfacing Cost FY2013-FY2015



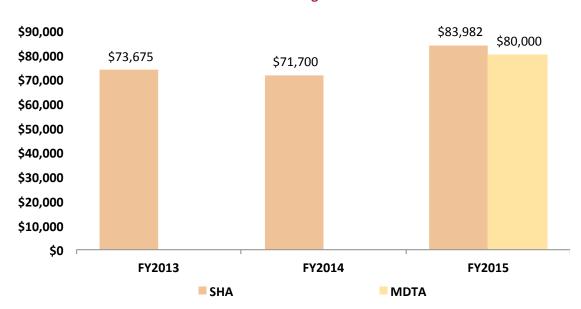
## PERFORMANCE MEASURE 4.4B AND C

Major Road Resurfacing Cost and Interstate Resurfacing Cost

4.4B.1: Major Road Resurfacing Cost FY2013-FY2015



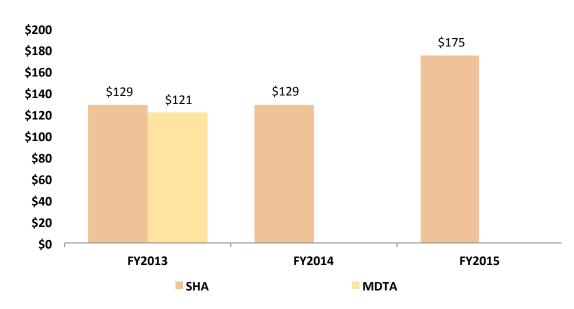
4.4C.1: Interstate Resurfacing Cost FY2013-FY2015



#### PERFORMANCE MEASURE 4.4D AND E

Average Bridge Replacement Cost and Average Bridge Redecking Cost

4.4D.1: Average Bridge Replacement Cost FY2013-FY2015



4.4E.1: Average Bridge Redecking Cost FY2013-FY2015

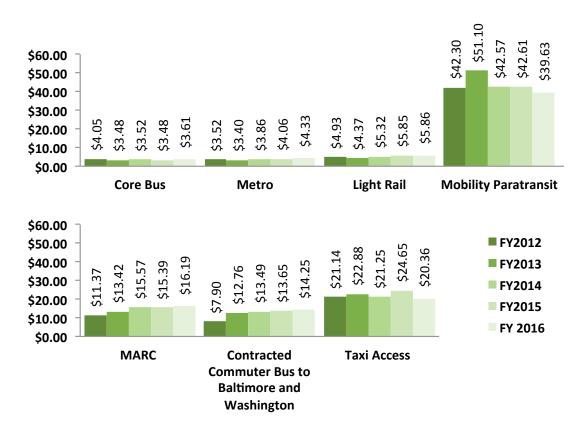


#### **PERFORMANCE MEASURE 4.4F**

# Average Cost of Common Transportation Solutions: Operating Cost Per Passenger Trip (MTA)

Operating cost per passenger trip is an indication of how effectively and efficiently the MTA is producing service given the operating costs. Ideally, a lower operating cost per passenger trip demonstrates the ability to move passengers in an efficient and effective manner. Benchmarks: Core Bus \$4.89, MTA \$3.90; Metro \$3.16, MTA \$3.81; Light Rail \$5.60. MTA \$5.28; Commuter Bus \$11.10, MTA \$13.30; MARC \$14.80, MTA \$14.86.

Chart 4.4F.1: Operating Cost Per Passenger Trip FY2012-FY2016



#### PERFORMANCE MEASURE 4.4G

# Average Cost of Common Transportation Solutions: Operating Cost Per Revenue Vehicle Mile (MTA)

Operating cost per revenue vehicle mile is an indication of the cost effeciency of the MTA in producing service given operating costs and scheduling of service. Ideally, when a transit vehicle is in operation, the goal is to be in revenue service vs. deadhead or repair. A lower operating cost per revenue vehicle mile demonstrates an efficient, well scheduled service and maintained fleet. Benchmarks: Core Bus \$13.83, MTA \$14.74; Metro \$12.49, MTA \$11.00; Light Rail \$17.49, MTA \$13.80; Commuter Bus \$8.42, MTA \$9.88; MARC \$23.21, MTA \$23.23.

Chart 4.4G.1: Operating Cost Per Revenue Vehicle Mile FY2012-FY2016

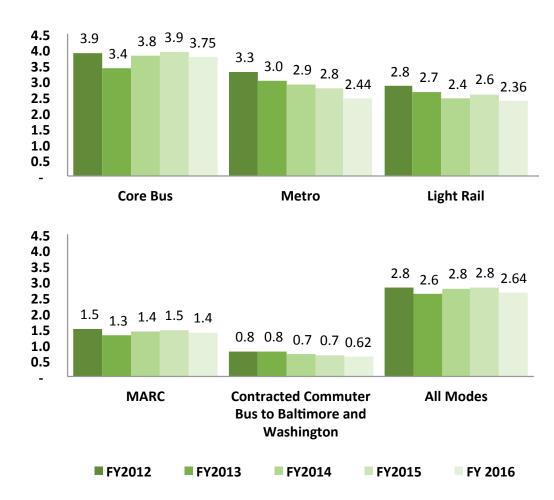


### PERFORMANCE MEASURE 4.4H

# Average Cost of Common Transportation Solutions: Passenger Trip Per Revenue Vehicle Mile (MTA)

Passenger trips per revenue vehicle mile measures the effectiveness of the cost of operating transit per passenger carried. The scheduled service should carry as many passsengers as practical without overcrowding the service. Benchmarks: Core Bus 3.14, MTA 3.8; Metro 4.62, MTA 2.9; Light Rail 3.1, MTA 2.6; Commuter Bus .76, MTA .7; MARC 1.62, MTA 1.6.

Chart 4.4H.1: Passenger Trips Per Revenue Vehicle Mile FY2012-FY2016

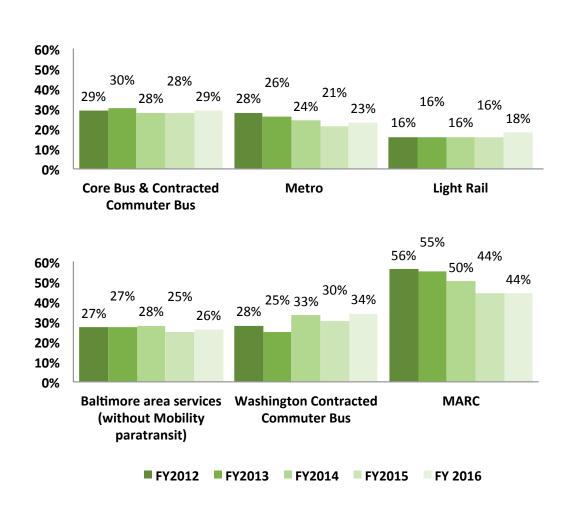


### **PERFORMANCE MEASURE 4.41**

# Average Cost of Common Transportation Solutions: Farebox Recovery Ratio (MTA)

Farebox recovery ratio is a metric that measures the amount of operating costs recovered through fares. Various factors affect the recovered operating costs such as fare price, ridership levels, and operating costs such as labor, fuel, and repair. State law mandates that MTA achieve a 35 percent Farebox Recovery Ratio.

Chart 4.4I.1: Farebox Recovery Ratio FY2012-FY2016



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### **PERFORMANCE MEASURE 4.4J**

# Average Cost of Common Transportation Solutions: Cost Per Transaction (MVA)

Cost per transaction is based on the total Operating Expense compared to the total number of Customer Transactions. The Operating Expense is inclusive of salaries and wages, including overtime. Operating expenses also include MVA costs to provide driver's licensing, vehicle registration and titling customer services.

The ways in which MVA provides its services to its customers is a factor in the costs per transaction. For example, IT system enhancements (introducing alternative service delivery options to customers) offer higher levels of convenience and customer satisfaction. Recent service improvements include the ability for a customer's vision provider to submit vision exam results electronically to MVA for licensing purposes, thus allowing some customers to renew their license via the web in lieu of standing in a license renewal line. Other such innovative service delivery using computer-based methods are included in the costs per transaction.

Trends in cost per transaction can vary when new technologies are implemented. Initial technology rollout costs tend to create a spike in costs, but after implementation, cost per transaction usually stabilizes and then declines. Other factors included in cost per transaction include the number of transactions required to complete customer service or product requests; increases in vehicle sales, which can be more costly to process (full titling transactions); and changes in driver's licensing laws requiring more time-consuming customer identification screening.

Chart 4.4J.1: Average MVA Cost Per Transaction FY2013-FY2016



